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SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF IZMIR GOVERNOR TO ISTANBUL

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1. GOVE SENTURK TOLD CONSUL GENERAL DURING FAREWELL CALL THAT HE WOULD DEPART IZMIR MORNING OF JUNE 25 AND OFFICIALLY ASSUME HIS NEW DUTIES AS GOVERNOR OF ISTANBUL SAME DAY AT 1400.
2. SENTURK ADMITTED TO MIXED FEELINGS CONCERNING DEPARTURE FROM IZMIR. FACT THAT ISTANBUL APPOINTMENT WAS TOP OF CAREER LADDER WAS OVERRIDING

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CONSIDERATION, HOWEVER. SENTURK ALSO INDICATED IN HIS QUIETWAY THAT HE WELL AWARE THAT ISTANBUL GOVERNSHIP CAN BE STEPPINGSTONE INTO POLITICAL LIFE.
3. BASIC BIO DATA: GOVERNOR OF IZMIR PROVINCE SINCE 1964. CAREER ADMINISTRATOR IN CIVIL SERVICE. BORN IN MERZIFON, 1922. GRADUATE OF POLITICAL SCIENCE FACULTY, ANAKARA UNIVERSITY. MARRIED, ONE SON. WIFE: IHSAN SENTURK. GOVERNOR SPEAKS FAIR FRENCH, HIS WIFE HAS NO FOREIGN LANGUAGE. SENTURK HAS TRAVELED TO UNITED STATES ON TRAVEL GRANT. HE HAS MADE TRIPS TO EUROPE
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ON GOVT BUSINESS.

4. SENTURK IS LOW KEY INDIVIDUAL BUT POSSESSES CONSIDERABLE PERSONAL WARMTH. ALTHOUGH NOT PARTICULARLY IMPRESSIVE AS PUBLIC SPEAKER, HIS CONTINUING DIALGUE WITH LOCAL CIVIL AND MILITARY LEADERS AT OFFICIAL, SOCIAL AND CEREMONIAL OCCASIONS HAS RESULTED IN GOOD RAPPORT WITH THEM. EXPRESSIONS OF REGRET THAT HE IS LEAVING BY IZMIRLIS IN MANY WALSKS OF LIFE APPEAR TO BE GENUINELY FELT. WITH CONSULATE GENERAL PERSONNEL HE HAS BEEN FRIENDLY, COOPERATIVE AND GENERALLY FORTH COMING.

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